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TO SECRETARY KISSINGER FROM AMBASSADOR GATES

E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: OVIP

SUBJ: FAREWELL MESSAGE

REF: STATE 004204

DEAR HENRY:

I GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR FAREWELL MESSAGE AND YOUR OVER GENEROUS COMMENTS.

I TRUST BY NOW YOU HAVE RECEIVED MY LETTER TO YOU TOGETHER WITH ENCLOSURES REPRESENTING COPIES OF MY LETTERS TO PRESIDENTS FORD AND CARTER AND SECRETARY VANCE AND MY OPEN ENDED LETTER OF RESIGNATION INCLUDING CUSTOMARY "AT YOUR PLEASURE" PHRASE. YOU WILL NOTEI AM AVAILABLE, IF DESIRED, TO ASSURE A SMOOTH TRANSFER WHICH UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCE HERE I CONSIDER IMPORTANT.

I TRIED TO EXPRESS IN MY LETTER MY THANKS FOR YOUR STEADY SUPPORT AND FRIENDSHIP AND THIS I AGAIN MOST SINCERELY AFFIRM. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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/S/ TOM GATES GATES

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